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BACTERIUM, ACETIC ACID BACTERIUM BRED USING THE GENE AND  
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING VINEGAR USING THE ACETIC ACID  
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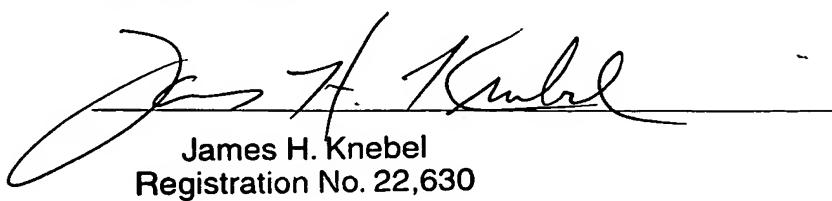
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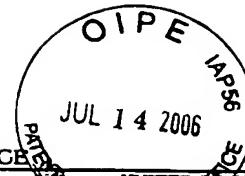
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